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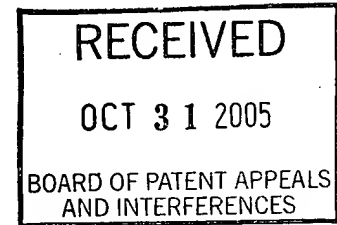
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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

This Reply Brief is in response to the 2nd Examiner's Answer mailed on October 6, 2005 ("2nd Examiner's Answer"). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.193(b)(1), Appellant may file a Reply Brief in response to the Examiner's Answer within two months from the date of such Answer. Accordingly, Appellant is filing this Reply Brief, which addresses an error in the 2nd Examiner's Answer in connection with the Grouping of Claims. **This reply brief is being submitted in triplicate.**

Just as in the 1st Examiner's Answer (mailed on November 19, 2003), in the 2nd Examiner's Answer, the Examiner contends that the rejection of claims 1-7 and 9-24 stand or fall together because Appellant's Brief (filed April 11, 2003) allegedly does not include a statement that this grouping of claims does not stand or fall together including the reasons thereof.

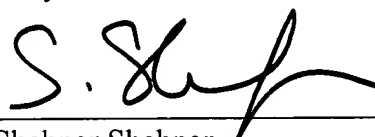
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.192(c)(7), for each ground of rejection, the Board shall select a single claim from the group and decide the appeal as to the ground of rejection, unless a statement is included that the claims of the group do not stand or fall together and Appellant explains why the claims of the ground are believed to be separately patentable.

Indeed, the Appeal Brief filed by Appellant on April 11, 2003 ("Appellant's Brief") included statements on pages 5 and 6 that the grouping of claims under each ground of rejection do not stand or fall together. In Appellant's Brief, Appellant provided Groups I-XVI indicating which claims stand or fall together. In addition, Appellant explains why the claims are believed to be separately patentable on pages 22-24 of Appellant's Brief.

For the above reasons, as well as all of those arguments set out on previous papers contained in the record, Appellant contends that Appellant's pending patent claims are directed to patentable subject matter and respectfully requests this Board to so indicate.

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